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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: OREP
SUBJECT: CODEL MONTGOMERY

REF: 132159Z 13 JUNE 1974

1. DOD HAS PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS TRIP. COMPO-
SITION CODEL AND ITINERARY OUTLINED REFTEL.

2. DOD HAS ASKED DEPARTMENT TO ASSIST IN FOLLOWING:
(A) ARRANGE HOTELS:
SAIGON: 2 SINGLES CARAVELLE JULY 1 THROUGH 3
VIENTIANE: 2 SINGLES LANE ZANG JULY 4 THROUGH 5
BANGKOK: 2 SINGLES INTERCONTINENTAL JULY 6
(B) BRIEFINGS IN SAIGON, VIENTIANE, BANGKOK: ACCORDING
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PARA 4A REFTEL, CODEL DESIRES INFORMAL CONFERENCE-TYPE

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DISCUSSION ON MILITARY SITUATION IN SEA AND OVERVIEW
OF MIA PROBLEMS.
(C) CAR AND DRIVER REQUIRED ALL POSTS.(EXCEPT HONG KONG).

3. ESCORT OFFICER KNEALE HAS PASSED FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO DEPARTMENT: IN ORDER TO MAKE MAXIMUM IMPRESSION ON THE COMMUNISTS OF CONGRESSIONAL AND PUBLIC INTEREST IN THE MIA STALEMATE AND ALSO TO FIND FACTS FOR HIMSELF AND THE CONGRESS, CODEL WOULD LIKE TO HAVE MEETINGS WITH HIGH-RANKING REPRESENTATIVES OF COMMUNIST SIDE. (CAPT. KNEALE TO BE INCLUDED IN ALL APPOINTMENTS.)
(A) FOR SAIGON: REQUESTS MEETING IF POSSIBLE WITH THE SENIOR DRV AND PRG REPRESENTATIVE TO THE FPJMT IN ADDITION TO COL. BILL TOMBAUGH OF THE U.S. DELEGATION.
(B) FOR VIENTIANE: CODEL REQUESTS APPOINTMENTS WITH A REPRESENTATIVE OF EACH PARTY TO THE COALITION. ADDITIONALLY, REQUESTS VISIT WITH GEN. VANG PAO. HE DESIRES TO TALK TO PEOPLE "IN THE FIELD" IF POSSIBLE, AND ALSO MENTIONED VISIT TO PLAIN OF JARS.
CODEL WOULD ALSO LIKE TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITY OF TRAVEL TO HANOI FOR MEETING WITH DRV OFFICIALS AND INSPECTION OF A CRASH SITE IN NORTH VIETNAM.

4. FOR HONG KONG: (A) PLEASE MEET AND ASSIST DURING TRANSIT JULY 1.
(B) CODEL WILL OVERNIGHT IN HONG KONG JULY 8 EN ROUTE TO U.S. (THIS IS NOT INDICATED IN REFTEL). PLEASE ENSURE THAT AIRLINE WILL GIVE CODEL VIP TREATMENT AT HOTEL.
(C) 19FT510 FUNDS NOT AUTHORIZED IN HONG KONG.

5. AUTHORIZATION: SAIGON, VIENTIANE AND BANGKOK ONLY: PROVISIONS CA-10315 DATED OCTOBER 16, 1972 APPLY. USE OF LOCAL CURRENCIES 19FT510 FUNDS UP TO EQUIVALENT US DOLS 75 PER DAY PLUS ACTUAL TRANSPORTATION COSTS AUTHORIZED. APPOINT CONTROL OFFICER, MEET, ASSIST, PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION. BOTH KNEALE AND MONTGOMERY AUTHORIZED BY HOUSE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS. SISCO

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